

Kaiteriteri, Nelson-Tasman, New Zealand

The sun-drenched gateway to Abel Tasman National Park, where golden mica-flecked beaches meet calm turquoise water and the only way deeper into the park is by boat or boot.

 Tender port (no pier)  Typical call: 6-8 hrs  NZD (New Zealand Dollar)  English

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Kaiteriteri Beach jetty — no cruise pier

Walk to Centre: 0 min — you land right on the main beach

Best For: Abel Tasman water taxis, kayaking, Split Apple Rock

Don't Miss: Water taxi into the national park; Kaka Pah Point lookout

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  NZD \$85–\$114/person

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Abel Tasman Water Taxi & Hike** — Hop a fast water taxi from the beach into the national park.
- **Guided Sea Kayaking** — Paddle the calm golden-sand coastline with a guide from Kaiteriteri Kayaks.
- **Split Apple Rock Cruise** — A short dedicated boat tour around the headland to Tokangawhā — the iconic giant granite boulder split cleanly in half, steeped in Māori legend and...
- **Scenic Sailing Catamaran** — Trade the tender crowd for a peaceful skippered catamaran through the park's lagoons and bays.
- **Kaka Pah Point & Māori History Walk** — A free 10-minute walk from the beach to the historic Māori pā/kāinga site on the headland at the northern end of the beach.

BEST WALKS

- **Kaka Pah Point Lookout** 30 min round trip · Easy · Free — From the tender jetty, walk along the beach to the northern headland track.
- **Kaiteriteri to Little Kaiteriteri** 30 min one way · Easy · Free — Follow the footpath over the southern headland to quieter Little Kaiteriteri Beach — smaller, more sheltered, and noticeably less busy.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

🌦️ CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				🇳🇿 DAYLIGHT & 💰 MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:58AM–5:57PM · Jun 7:51AM–5:05PM · Aug 7:18AM–5:46PM · Sep 6:29AM–6:17PM · Oct 6:39AM–7:48PM	
Apr	63°	48°	11d		
Jun	55°	41°	12d		
Aug	54°	40°	13d		
Sep	58°	42°	13d		
Oct	62°	45°	12d		

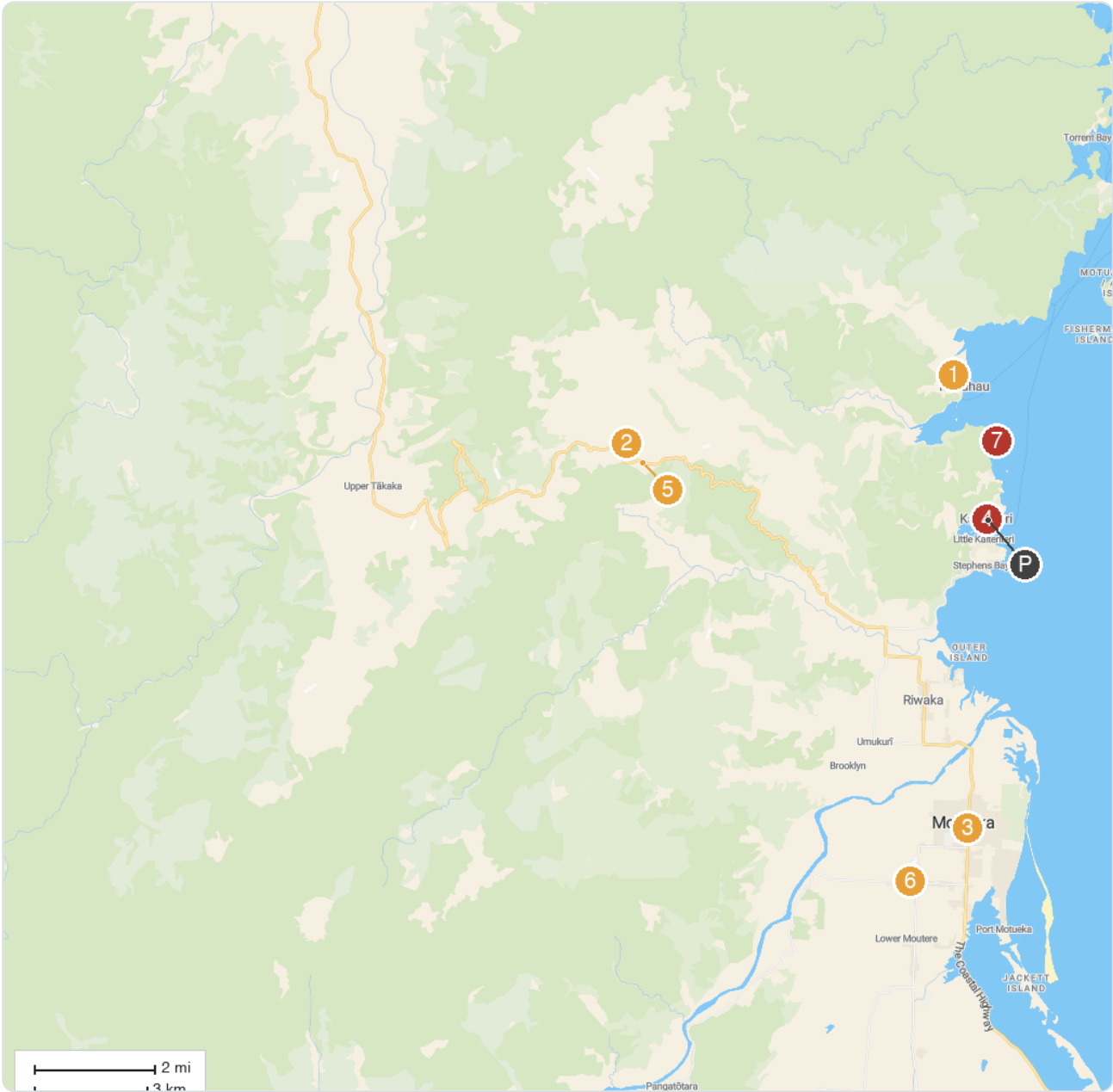
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Sandflies bite: New Zealand's sandflies are tiny but vicious. Apply DEET or Picaridin repellent to ankles and wrists before going ashore — especially near the waterline and bush edges.
- NZ sun is intense: Clean air and a thin ozone layer mean you'll burn faster than in Europe or North America. SPF 50+, hat, and sunglasses even on cloudy days.
- Book water taxis in advance: Abel Tasman water taxis and kayak tours fill up fast on cruise days. Book online weeks ahead — don't expect walk-up availability on the beach.
- Strict biosecurity: New Zealand levies instant fines (~NZD 400) for bringing fresh produce ashore. Leave fruit, vegetables, meat, and honey on the ship.
- Card-friendly village: Kaiteriteri's cafés and tour operators accept Visa/Mastercard. Keep small NZD cash for the convenience store or ice cream.
- Tender weather: Northerly swells can restrict or cancel tenders with little notice. Monitor ship announcements and have a backup plan (beach walk, café time).

Kaiteriteri, Nelson-Tasman, New Zealand — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Abel Tasman Kayaks | Kayak rental and guided tours for exploring the park. | 2 Ngarua Caves | Guided tours through ancient limestone caves with stalactites. |
| 3 Motueka District Museum | Local museum showcasing Motueka's history and heritage. | 4 Abel Tasman Sailing Adventures | Sailing tours and cruises exploring the beautiful coastline. |
| 5 Hawkes Lookout Walk | Scenic walking track to a lookout with panoramic views. | 6 Skydive Abel Tasman | Tandem skydiving for incredible aerial views of the park. |
| 7 Split Apple Rock | Unique granite rock formation naturally split in half. | P Cruise port / terminal | |